SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 2, 2007

SWAC Members

Mark Glazer, Vice Chair	David Frank	Marcia Harrington
Leslie Alexander	Mimi Guernica	Marcia Marks
Bobbie Faul-Zeitler	Odell Hall	Craig Simoneau

Absent: E. Clifton, E. Harris, R. LaCount, L. Levine, and A. Schaffer

(County Staff	Guests
G. A. Corrick, DSWS	Maureen O'Hara, DSWS	Peter Hartwell, Covanta
Eileen Kao, DSWS	Alan Pultyniewicz, DSWS	Jane Hunter
Joe O'Donnell, DSWS		Stan Levine

The regular meeting of the Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) was called to order by the Vice Chair at 7:34 p.m. on October 2, 2007, in the Executive Office Building's Lobby Level Conference Room and introductions were made.

OLD BUSINESS

<u>Meeting Minutes</u> – The proposed September 4, 2007, meeting minutes were approved as amended. (Amendment – At the July 31, 2007, 10-Year Solid Waste Management Plan and Metrics Ad Hoc Group meeting members recommended publishing information on County businesses cited for not complying with the County's recycling regulations, similar to how health code violations are now published in the Gazette newspapers.)

Ad Hoc Group Reports – No reports.

Nominations for 2008 Chair and Vice Chair – Mark Glazer was nominated for Chair, and David Frank and Earl Harris were nominated for Vice Chair. Voting will take place at the November 6, 2007, meeting.

<u>SWAC's Representative on the Dickerson Area Facilities Implementation Group (DAFIG)</u> – Because no members expressed an interest in serving as SWAC's representative on DAFIG, action will be tabled until the January 2008 meeting.

<u>Resignation</u> – The Vice Chair announced that SWAC member Judi Kane resigned yesterday.

<u>Construction and Demolition (C&D) Waste</u> – Ms. Faul-Zeitler distributed two pages of notes on C&D waste that she prepared (Attachment 1). She asked SWAC members to review her comments and consider having the Committee make a brief statement on how to manage C&D waste in the upcoming budget process and 10-Year Solid Waste Management Plan update.

<u>SWAC Administrative Procedures</u> – The Vice Chair reiterated the importance of bringing new topics or issues for SWAC review and consideration to full Committee meetings under

Approved as amended. November 6, 2007

New Business. If members have questions for DSWS staff, an email should be sent to the staff liaison with copies to both SWAC's Chair and Vice Chair.

MAJOR PROGRAM TOPIC

Single Stream Recycling Update – Ms. Kao updated SWAC members on DSWS' research into the feasibility of single stream recycling as a viable option:

- DSWS continues to conduct research and benchmarking. At this time the County has reached no conclusion.
- Messrs. Corrick and O'Donnell presented information gathered during a spring 2007 single stream study conducted in Olney, Maryland (Attachment 2).
- Businesses are required to obtain their own recycling collection services. Some collectors servicing businesses are taking the recyclables to single stream facilities outside the County.
- The review and analysis process is looking at materials the County is currently recycling.
- SWAC will be kept apprised of DSWS' research on this subject.

NEW BUSINESS

- The Vice Chair distributed and reviewed SWAC's proposed 2008 meeting schedule and major program topics for 2008 (Attachment 3). All members will be required to serve on at least one subcommittee, and subcommittee membership will be limited to five. Members were asked to email Ms. O'Hara with their first, second, and third subcommittee choices. A motion was made (Harrington) and seconded (Guernica) to approve the proposed meeting schedule. VOTE: Unanimous.
- The Vice Chair asked members to consider changing the meeting start time from 7:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The majority of members want to keep the start time at 7:30 p.m.
- Smoke Detectors A motion was made (Marks) and seconded (Hall) to have SWAC recommend that (1) Montgomery County require all ionizing smoke detectors be considered hazardous waste and no longer accepted as regular trash, (2) the County collect ionizing smoke detectors separately and ship them back to the manufacturers, and (3) the DSWS website be changed accordingly and appropriate information be sent to businesses and homeowners. Discussion ensued followed by a VOTE: 1 in favor, 5 opposed, and 2 abstentions. A motion was made (Glazer) and seconded (Harrington) to continue to research this topic via an ad hoc group or through work of the whole Committee. VOTE: Unanimous. Only one member volunteered to serve on an ad hoc group. The topic was tabled to January 2008 to allow DSWS staff time to compile information to present to SWAC.

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<u>ADJOURN</u>

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Attachments (3)

ACRONYMS

C&D Construction and Demolition

DAFIG Dickerson Area Facilities Implementation Group

DSWS Division of Solid Waste Services SWAC Solid Waste Advisory Committee

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